

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of NICHOLAS COREY KING,
WALTER JOHN WISNIEWSKI III, and AMARIA
JERRE NORWOOD, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

LISA KING,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

OSCAR HAMPTON, WALTER JOHN
WISNIEWSKI, and JERRY NORWOOD,

Respondents.

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Ingham Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 00-039060

Before: O'Connell, P.J., and Zahra and B.B. MacKenzie*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant, Lisa King, appeals as of right from the family court order terminating her parental rights to the minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i), (g) and (j). We affirm.

The family court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 455 NW2d 161 (1989). The conditions that led to adjudication were respondent-appellant's failure to supervise, protect and provide for the children. Despite more than two years of services aimed toward reunification, the evidence suggests that respondent-appellant was unable or unwilling to benefit from the services and provide proper care and supervision for the children. There is evidence that, during overnight visits with Nicholas and Amaria, respondent-appellant left the

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young children unattended and failed to properly feed them. Respondent-appellant's reaction of disbelief to a report that Amaria was sexually abused suggests that she would not protect Amaria from future abuse. Respondent-appellant's failure to care for Nicholas and Amaria supports the finding that she could not provide for Walter's many special needs.

There is not clear evidence, on the whole record, that termination is not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 354, 364-365; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). Accordingly, the family court did not clearly err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the children.

Affirmed.

/s/ Peter D. O'Connell

/s/ Brian K. Zahra

/s/ Barbara B. McKenzie